Met Office Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 22 Nov 2024 until 23:59 on Saturday 23 Nov 2024

Forecast Issued on Friday 22 Nov 2024 at 02:46

Confidence: High for current cold spell to continue Friday, with further showers. Also high for this being replaced by a much milder, wet and windy weather on Saturday, with a rapid thaw occurring. Confidence is then lower for the persistence of rainfall on Sunday, and the detail with any showers Monday and Tuesday.

Headline for Friday 22 Nov 2024: Cold. Showers easing, with the snow level rising to around 400m. Severe chill.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 22 Nov 2024

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Light snow	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
30%	40%	30%	30%	30%	10%

Forecast for Friday 22 Nov 2024

Weather: Rather cloudy at first, with outbreaks of snow, initially to valley floors but restricted to above 400m by midday with a wintry mix of rain and sleet to lower levels. Showers easing during the afternoon and into the evening. Staying rather cold, with some thawed surfaces likely refreezing after dark.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 30% rising to 70%

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud at 600m during the morning, and down to 500m in any showers. These lifting and breaking a little during the afternoon and evening, but still with further patches persisting on some hills above 600m at times. Visibility will be moderate to poor at times with any early snow showers, however as showers and winds ease, good to very good visibility is expected to develop.

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Forecast for Friday 22 Nov 2024

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	26/34 W	20/26 W	19/25 W	15/20 W	11/17 W	9/12 SW	16/24 S
300	15/33 W	9/22 W	12/23 W	8/17 W	7/15 W	6/11 SW	8/20 S
Valley	14/33 W	9/23 W	11/23 W	7/18 W	6/15 W	4/9 SW	3/10 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	-1/-9	-1/-8	0/-6	1/-5	-0/-5	0/-4	0/-6
300	1/-5	2/-2	4/-1	3/-0	1/-2	2/-2	2/-2
Valley	2/-4	2/-1	4/1	4/1	2/-1	2/-0	2/-0
Freezing Level*	300m	400m	500m	600m	500m	500m	500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Cold with a notable chill at height, and icy conditions across many routes. Appropriate winter skills, clothing and equipment essential.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Fri 22 Nov 2024	1.8mm	4.8mm	13.6mm

Forecast for Saturday 23 Nov 2024

Weather: Brief spell of heavy snow possible early Saturday morning, before a rapid rise in the freezing level leads to rain at all levels and a rapid thaw. This will be accompanied by very strong winds, with persistent cloud obscuring any higher routes.

Maximum wind: Southeast 20 gusting 30mph. Increasing to Southerly 40 gusting 50-55mph. Chance of 60mph gusts

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 10%

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud at 600m, occasionally down to 400m in heavy rain, especially on southwestern slopes. Moderate to Poor visibility for much of the day, perhaps rising to be Good at times in the east.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Minus 1 Celsius rising to Plus 13 Celsius
At 600m: Minus 2 Celsius increasing Plus 7 Celsius by midday.
Freezing level: 600m increasing above all summits by mid-morning

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